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DUE DATES EXTENDED FOR DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CONSULTATION AND REPLY COMMENTS ON THE APPLICATION BY SBC COMMUNICATIONS INC. FOR AUTHORIZATION UNDER SECTION 271 OF THE COMMUNICATIONS ACT TO PROVIDE IN-REGION, INTERLATA SERVICE IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

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On January 16, 2003, SBC Communications Inc., Michigan Bell Telephone Company, and Southwestern Bell Communications Services, Inc. (Michigan Bell) filed an application for authorization to provide in-region, interLATA service in the State of Michigan, pursuant to section 271 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the Act). In a prior Public Notice, the Bureau adopted general procedural requirements that apply to the processing of this application for authorization under section 271 of the Act.² As detailed in the January 16, 2003 Public Notice, the due date for the Department of Justice Consultation was February 25, 2003, and the due date for Reply Comments filed by interested third parties was March 3, 2003.

Due to the inclement weather and the subsequent closing of the federal government last week, as well as the voluminous record in this proceeding, this public notice extends by one day the due dates for the Department of Justice Consultation and Reply Comments. As a result, the due date for the Department of Justice Consultation is now February 26, 2003. The due date for Reply Comments is now March 4, 2003. All other details and filing requirements set forth in the January 16, 2003 Public Notice remain the same. If you have any questions, please contact Gina Spade of the Wireline Competition Bureau at (202) 418-7105.

¹ 47 U.S.C. § 271.

² See Comments Requested on the Application by SBC Communications Inc. for Authorization Under Section 271 of the Communications Act to Provide In-Region, InterLATA Service in the State of Michigan, Public Notice, DA 03-156 (Jan. 16, 2003) (January 16, 2003 Public Notice).